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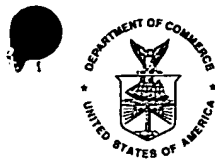
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The reply filed on August 12, 2002 (in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of July 5, 2002) is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

a) Amendment filed on April 18, 2002, in which parts of the specification and claims 1-17 were amended, was non-compliant because it did not contain the clean version of the changes to specification and did not contain the clean version of the changes made to claims. Consequently, the amendment was not entered, i.e. neither the specification nor the claims were amended. In addition, the Applicants arguments were not considered.

b) The current reply contained clean version of the amended claims, but did not contain a clean version of the specification changes. Therefore, if Applicants desire that the amendments to the specification to be entered, a reply to this notice should contain clean version of the specification changes. The arguments, as provided in the non-compliant amendment, should also be included in the response. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Teresa E Strzelecka whose telephone number is (703) 306-5877. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:30-5:30). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Benzion can be reached at (703) 308-1119. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-4242 for regular communications and (703) 305-3014 for After Final communications. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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